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In re Application of:

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed January 24, 2006, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Amendments to Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached to the end of this paper.